Last Thursday Speaker Pelosi unvieled her health care bill, H.R. 3962 the Affordable Healthcare for America Act, which has a \$1.2 trillion dollar price tag according to the nonpartisan <a href="Congres sional Budget Office">Congres sional Budget Office</a>

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The Tampa Tribune had Gus's reaction to the bill:

Battling back even as U.S. House Democratic leaders congratulated themselves for crafting a brand new doorstop masquerading as a health care "reform" package, U.S. Rep. Gus M. Bilirakis (R-Palm Harbor) joined the chorus decrying the plan as a naked government takeover:

□ "Instead of working to produce health care reform that would control rising costs and provide greater access to insurance for those who lack it, the Democrat's today emerged from behind closed doors to repackage the same heavy-handed, big government approach they have proposed since day one. Their plan will slash Medicare for seniors, raise taxes and lead to fewer choices and more costly premiums while reducing the quality of care we all receive.

"We should move away from more government bureaucracy and instead build upon our current system while preserving the quality of care and keeping individuals in charge of their own health care decisions. Congress should be working on sensible answers that will lower costs and increase access to insurance such as tort reform, cleaning up fraud, strengthening insurance so it is portable and can be purchased across state lines, and expanding access to care through community health centers."

Click here to read more about Gus's ideas for making health care insurance more affordable.